

Subject: 1879 \$4 U.S. gold piece

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New York City.

Gentlemen:

One of my European friends writes me he has a \$4.00 U.S. gold piece, of the year 1879, which is in very good condition. He seems to be of the opinion that it is quite valuable and he desires to sell same.

I would greatly appreciate it if you could inform me the name of some parties who might be interested in this. I enclose herewith stamped envelope for your reply.

Thanking you in advance for your trouble, I remain

Very truly yours,

LW/j  
Enc

*Leo Wallerstein*



February 18, 1920

Mr. Leo Wallerstein  
171 Madison Avenue  
New York City

Dear Sir:

The four dollar gold pieces coined in 1879 are not at all common. They are, however, of two varieties, one with the flowing hair, and the other with the hair coiled on the head. Of the two varieties, the latter is much the most rare, and commands the higher price. Neither of the pieces were coined for regular circulation, but were "patterns".

I am enclosing the card of Mr. Wayte Raymond, a coin dealer of New York, who specializes in rarities in the American coinage, and who would probably be better able to advise you in regard to a market for your piece than anyone else.

Very truly yours,

(Enclosure)

Assistant to Curator.